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SUBJECT: ROK IPU DELEGATION

1. ROK NATIONAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATION TO IPU COUNCIL MEETING IN SRI LANKA MARCH 31-APRIL 5 WILL BE HEADED BY KIM SE-YON, CHAIRMAN OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND MEMBER OF YUJONGHOE (GOVERNMENT-APPOINTED NATIONAL ASSEMBLY MEMBERS). DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE KANG MUN-PONG AND SO YONG-HUI OF YUJONGHOE, MIN PYONG-KI AND CHONG NAE-HYOK OF RULING DEMOCRATIC REPUBLICAN PARTY, PAK HAN-SANG AND O SE-UNG OF OPPOSITION NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY, AND INDEPENDENT KIM YUN-HA.

2. LEADER OF PAST ROK IPU DELEGATIONS, DRP POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN PAK SHUN-KYU, DECLINED TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETING. PAK, WHO WAS SPONSOR OF CONTROVERSIAL ANTI-SLANDER LAW RECENTLY PASSED BY ASSEMBLY, REPORTEDLY DOES NOT WISH TO TRAVEL ABROAD AT THIS TIME.

3. WHILE NOT ANTICIPATING ANY SPECIAL DEVELOPMENTS, DELEGATION WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE INTERESTED IN ACTIVITIES OF NORTH KOREANS, BOTH IN IPU SESSIONS AND IN
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COLOMBO. DURING IPU GENERAL MEETING IN TOKYO,

SEVERAL MEMBERS OF ROK DELEGATION HAD SOCIAL CONTACTS
WITH NORTH KOREAN COUNTERPARTS, AND O SE-UNG APPEARED
IN PRESS PHOTOGRAPH TALKING TO NORTH KOREAN INCORRECTLY
ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN INCOGNITO SON OF KIM IL-SONG. ROK
DELEGATES WILL PROBABLY BE PREPARED FOR SIMILAR
CONTACTS WITH NORTH KOREAN DELEGATION IN SRI LANKA.
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